

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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HPD Responds for Large Unruly Crowd

Harrisonburg, VA – On the night of January 13, officers with the Harrisonburg Police Department (HPD) handled multiple incidents at Back Country Restaurant & Lounge, 1594 South Main St. The following is a timeline of the events that occurred:

- At 9:45 p.m., officers performed a routine bar check at the business and cleared, service
 performed at 10:21 p.m. Around 10:00 p.m. a fire inspector also checked occupant capacity and
 determined there were approximately 500 people inside, which is not over capacity for this
 building.
- At 10:52 p.m., the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Emergency Communications Center (HRECC) received a call for an alcohol related illness involving an unresponsive 18 year old female. When fire and rescue arrived on scene, they were unable to reach the patient inside and requested law enforcement units to assist. Responders then discovered an additional patient that needed medical assistance. Due to the large crowd of people outside the business, additional law enforcement units were requested.
- At 11:06 p.m., after a short foot pursuit, officers took two subjects in custody for public intoxication.
- At 11:06 p.m., an HPD supervisor on location requested mutual aid from the Rockingham County Sheriff's Office and James Madison University Police Department.
- At 11:10 p.m., officers determined that the crowd needed to be dispersed due to additional disorderly subjects inside the business.
- Officers remained on scene until the business closed at approximately 1:30 a.m. The fire
 inspector also stayed at the location to continue to monitor the number of people inside the
 facility. It is estimated that at least 25-30 law enforcement officers from multiple agencies were
 on location during the incident to provide assistance.



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The following subjects were taken into custody for the charges listed below:

- o Mario D'Atri, 19 Cumberland, MD
 - Public Intoxication
 - Underage Possession of Alcohol
- Dalton Orebaugh, 20 Stuarts Draft, VA
 - Public Intoxication
 - Underage Possession of Alcohol
- Jacorien Payton, 21 Haymarket, VA
 - Assault on Law Enforcement Officer
 - Resisting Arrest
 - Public Intoxication
- o Davante Wright, 20 Centreville, VA
 - Public Intoxication
 - Underage Possession of Alcohol

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